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In re the application of:

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For: POLYESTER FIBER AND PRODUCTION METHOD OF POLYESTER COMPOSITION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

January 14, 2002

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the fee and examination on the merits of the above-identified patent application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE TITLE:

Please change the title of the invention "POLYESTER FIBER AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING A POLYESTER COMPOSITION" that is used in the International Publication (WO 01/90455) to --POLYESTER FIBER AND PRODUCTION METHOD OF POLYESTER COMPOSITION-- as shown in the specification and the declaration.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 25 and add new claim 27 to read as follows:

- 25. (Amended) A method for making a polyester composition according to claim 22, wherein the silica-based inorganic particles are added in a polymerization step of the polyester.
- 27. (New) A method for making a polyester composition according to claim 24, wherein the silica-based inorganic particles are added in a polymerization step of the polyester.

REMARKS

The applicants request that the PCT branch change the title of the invention in the PTO records in PCT/JP01/04200 to the title that is used in the accompanying specification and the declaration.

Claim 25 has been amended to remove multiple dependency and a new claim has been added to cover an embodiment deleted by the amendments to the original claim.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to

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claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

In the event any additional fees are required, please also charge our Deposit Account No. 111833.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 25 has been amended as follows.

25. (Amended) A method for making a polyester composition according to [either] claim 22 [or 24], wherein the silica-based inorganic particles are added in a polymerization step of the polyester.

New claim 27 has been added to the application.

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27. (New) A method for making a polyester composition according to claim 24, wherein the silica-based inorganic particles are added in a polymerization step of the polyester.